

# Department of Psychological Science

## Honors Distinction

### Requirements

The Psychology department provides two designations to recognize the major's highest performers.

**High Distinction** requires satisfaction of the following criteria:

1. Completion of both PSY 227 (Statistics) and PSY 247 (Research Methods I) with a grade of A- or better.
2. A GPA within the Psychology major of 3.5 or higher.
3. An overall GPA of 3.5 or higher.
4. Completion of one of the following:
  1. PSY 480 (Independent Study)
  2. PSY 490 (Teaching Assistantship)
  3. PSY 491 (Research Assistantship)
5. Presentation of (or acceptance to present) a first-author/co-author research project at a State/Regional/National Conference, including CREATE.

**Highest Distinction** requires satisfaction of the above criteria as well as:

1. Scoring at the 80th percentile or higher (compared to national norms) on the pre-graduation Exit Exam.
2. Presentation of (or acceptance to present) a first-author/co-author research project at a State/Regional/National Conference, EXCLUDING CREATE.

**Note:** Because this is a designation conferred upon graduation, students must complete all criteria before the end of the semester in which they graduate to be eligible for this distinction.

Please contact Dr. Fugere ([fugerem@easternct.edu](mailto:fugerem@easternct.edu)) for more information.

### 2025 – 2026

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**Raya Cruse**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2026

**Sydney Dameron**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2026

**Victoria Eisenhauer**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2026

**Jaycelyn Forbes**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2026  
**Ashley Kasacek**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2026  
**Abigail Locke**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2026  
**Allison Michalski**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2026

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**Haley Gendron**, High Distinction, Spring 2026  
**Michael McKoy**, High Distinction, Spring 2026  
**Gianella Miano**, High Distinction, Spring 2026  
**Shelby Palmieri**, High Distinction, Spring 2026  
**William Warkentin**, High Distinction, Spring 2026

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## 2024 - 2025

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**Brayden Alexis**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2025  
**Ori Busel**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2025  
**Alexandra Dziura**, Highest Distinction, Fall 2024  
**Grace Elliott**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2025  
**Cailey Fay**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2025  
**Kyleigh Felice**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2025  
**Jessica Nowakowski**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2025

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**Jasmine Alina**, High Distinction, Spring 2025  
**Victoria Beaumont**, High Distinction, Spring 2025  
**Sadie Blackwell**, High Distinction, Spring 2025  
**Elayna Comella**, High Distinction, Spring 2025  
**Andrew Esposito**, High Distinction, Spring 2025  
**Nabeeha Fatima**, High Distinction, Spring 2025  
**Saoirse Ward**, High Distinction, Spring 2025  
**Piper Witt**, High Distinction, Spring 2025

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## 2023 - 2024

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**Arden Parzych**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2024

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**Dana Arroyo Infante**, High Distinction, Spring 2024  
**Madison Barone**, High Distinction, Spring 2024  
**Allyson Daleb**, High Distinction, Spring 2024  
**Charly DeLauro**, High Distinction, Spring 2024  
**Grace Elliot**, High Distinction, Spring 2024

**Madison Glasgow**, High Distinction, Spring 2024  
**Dylan Greenberg**, High Distinction, Spring 2024  
**Victoria Janosi**, High Distinction, Spring 2024  
**Josephina Keith**, High Distinction, Fall 2023  
**Zoe Pascual**, High Distinction, Spring 2024  
**Carly Prentiss**, High Distinction, Spring 2024  
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## 2022 - 2023

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**Noelle Ciccarelli**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2023  
**Victoria Cirillo**, Highest Distinction, Fall 2022  
**Gianna DeSante**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2023  
**Sarah Eslami**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2023  
**Seth Hallbauer**, Highest Distinction, Fall 2022  
**Eleni Katsarakis**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2023  
**Candice Koolhaas**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2023  
**Emily Pollard**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2023  
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**Carlie Dreyfus**, High Distinction, Spring 2023  
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## 2021 - 2022

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**Rachel Ellis**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2022  
**Jacob Lee**, Highest Distinction, Fall 2021  
**Marissa (Rosie) Luther**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2022  
**Andrew Miceli**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2022  
**Sierra Nastasi**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2022  
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**Tyra Bergstrom**, High Distinction, Spring 2022  
**Nina Cruciani**, High Distinction, Spring 2022  
**Christina Haynes**, High Distinction, Spring 2022  
**Abigail Lee**, High Distinction, Spring 2022  
**Cynthia Mandujano**, High Distinction, Spring 2022  
**Emma Meyers**, High Distinction, Spring 2022  
**Gabrielle Palumbo**, High Distinction, Spring 2022  
**Bethany Turner**, High Distinction, Spring 2022  
**Taylor Wagner**, High Distinction, Spring 2022  
**Lauren Yost**, High Distinction, Fall 2021  
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## 2020 - 2021

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**Megan Avery**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2021  
**Kayla Coppola**, Highest Distinction, Fall 2020  
**Ashley Cubberly**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2021  
**Evelyn Senna**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2021  
**Bailey Tracy**, Highest Distinction, Fall 2020  
**Allison Trombley**, Highest Distinction, Fall 2020

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**Maddy Bodley**, High Distinction, Fall 2020  
**Lian Camacho-Rosado**, High Distinction, Spring 2021  
**Julia Donatello**, High Distinction, Fall 2020  
**Allie Geilich**, High Distinction, Spring 2021  
**Emily Haythorn**, High Distinction, Spring 2021  
**Shirley Holloway**, High Distinction, Fall 2020  
**Kacey Lindell**, High Distinction, Spring 2021  
**Jane Marr**, High Distinction, Spring 2021  
**Kelsey McAllister**, High Distinction, Spring 2021  
**Olivia Mott**, High Distinction, Spring 2021  
**Alexandra Peters**, High Distinction, Spring 2021  
**Hannah Prada**, High Distinction, Spring 2021

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## 2019 - 2020

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**Allison Lundy**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2020  
**Michael Tuttle**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2020  
**Brittany Velikaneye**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2020  
**Emily Worman**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2020

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**Danielle Gallagher**, High Distinction, Spring 2020  
**Shirley Holloway**, High Distinction, Spring 2020  
**Kathleen Randall**, High Distinction, Spring 2020  
**Nicole Reinschmidt**, High Distinction, Spring 2020

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## 2018 - 2019

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**Jessica Ahern**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2019  
**Kelly Bielonko**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2019

**Kaylee DeFelice**, Highest Distinction, Fall 2018  
**Nathan Edwards**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2019  
**Melissa Henowitz**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2019  
**Jane Komen**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2019  
**Taylor O'Rourke**, Highest Distinction, Fall 2018  
**Malvina Pietrzykowski**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2019  
**Jolene Potter**, Highest Distinction, Fall 2018

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**Trevor Adams**, High Distinction, Spring 2019  
**Jessica Henowitz**, High Distinction, Spring 2019  
**Allison Lundy**, High Distinction, Spring 2019  
**Jenna Mazza**, High Distinction, Spring 2019  
**Taylor Shea**, High Distinction, Spring 2019

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## 2017 - 2018

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**Mandi Charette**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2018  
**Elizabeth Hilton**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2018  
**Nicole Lenares**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2018  
**Rachel Pilver**, Highest Distinction, Fall 2017

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**Madison Ahearn**, High Distinction, Spring 2018  
**Carlos Borja**, High Distinction, Spring 2018  
**Kayley Croke**, High Distinction, Spring 2018  
**Brian Duffany**, High Distinction, Spring 2018  
**Christine Graffeo**, High Distinction, Spring 2018  
**Madison LaRusso**, High Distinction, Fall 2027  
**Sarah Rutty**, High Distinction, Spring 2018  
**Molly Smith**, High Distinction, Spring 2018

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## 2016 - 2017

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**Sydney Batchelder**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2017  
**Leah Slawinowski**, Highest Distinction, Spring 2017

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**Abigail Bell**, High Distinction, Spring 2017  
**Jesse Bober**, High Distinction, Spring 2017  
**Abigail Caselli**, High Distinction, Spring 2017  
**Sarah Casolo**, High Distinction, Spring 2017

**Brittany Chabot**, High Distinction, Spring 2017  
**Sarah Coady**, High Distinction, Fall 2016  
**Kaitlyn Doucette**, High Distinction, Spring 2017  
**Emma Green**, High Distinction, Spring 2017  
**Brandon Martins**, High Distinction, Spring 2017  
**Amanda Perreault**, High Distinction, Fall 2016  
**Melanie Ravo**, High Distinction, Spring 2017  
**Alexandra Steel**, High Distinction, Spring 2017

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## 2015 - 2016

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*Note: There was no "Highest Distinction" designation yet*

**Alexis Apel**, High Distinction, Spring 2016  
**Kayleigh Arcangel**, High Distinction, Spring 2016  
**Robert Barry**, High Distinction, Spring 2016  
**Annaliisa Erickson**, High Distinction, Spring 2016  
**Sonja Gagnon**, High Distinction, Spring 2016  
**Michelle Gluhosky**, High Distinction, Spring 2016  
**Jenna Gray**, High Distinction, Spring 2016  
**Lisa Macari**, High Distinction, Spring 2016  
**Stephanie Madden**, High Distinction, Spring 2016  
**Royce Manifold**, High Distinction, Spring 2016  
**Solveig Millett**, High Distinction, Spring 2016  
**Karinna Nazario**, High Distinction, Spring 2016  
**Kaylei Roux**, High Distinction, Spring 2016  
**Kaitlin Thibodeau**, High Distinction, Spring 2016

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## 2014 - 2015

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**Nicole Berger**, High Distinction, Spring 2015  
**Ryan Blejewski**, High Distinction, Spring 2015  
**Kimberly DePaolis**, High Distinction, Spring 2015  
**Alice DiFrancesco**, High Distinction, Spring 2015  
**Brei Francione**, High Distinction, Spring 2015  
**Alana Gallagher**, High Distinction, Spring 2015  
**Heather Oski**, High Distinction, Spring 2015  
**Liane Povilonis**, High Distinction, Spring 2015

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